

Marine (1898) Department.

G.O., No. 325 Mar

DATED 29. April 1898

[Despatch Abstract.]

Proceedings of the Harbour Trust Board's  
meeting: Letter from the Chairman, submitting  
a copy of the minutes of the —, held on 1<sup>st</sup>  
April 1898, received

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Submits printed copy  
of minutes of proceedings of  
Harbor Trust Board's meeting  
of 1<sup>st</sup> April 1898—

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NOTIFICATION.

Ootacamund, April 19, 1898.

No. 36.—The following Minutes of the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Trustees of the Madras Harbour, held at the Board's Office on Friday, the 1st April 1898:—

*Present :*

Mr. J. N. Atkinson, I.C.S., *Chairman.*  
 " R. J. Black.  
 " C. B. Simpson.  
 " A. J. Yorke.  
 " R. Harper.

Commander H. A. Street, R.I.M.  
Mr. F. J. Wilson.  
" Cowasjee Eduljee Panday.  
" Mirza Mehdy Ispahani.  
M.R.Ry. T. Namberumal Chetty.

Read G.O., No. 212, Marine, dated 21st March 1898, notifying the appointment of M.R.Ry. T. Namberumal Chetty, B.A., to be a Trustee of the Madras Harbour, *vice* M.R.Ry. M. Abbayi Naidu deceased; G.O., No. 203, Marine, dated 18th March 1898, accepting the resignation of Mr. H. Scott as a Trustee; and G.O., No. 234, Marine, dated 30th idem, notifying the appointment of Mr. R. J. Black in his stead.

Recorded.

2. Read draft letter to the President, Madras Municipal Commission, in reply to his No. 1369 P.W., dated 25th March, regarding the claim for compensation, on account of erosion by the sea, at the sewage farm.

Approved as amended.

3. Read draft letter to Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., and draft of resolution No. 4, dated 18th March upon their proposal to erect an installation for kerosine-oil in bulk, at Royapuram, on the site immediately to the south of "Shands Press".

Read minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that resolution No. 4 of last meeting is approved, as now amended, and Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. will be informed that the Board cannot give them facilities for landing kerosine-oil in bulk inside the harbour for storage at the proposed site, until the question of the responsibility for the maintenance of the protective revetment, and the security of property behind it—now under reference to Government—is settled.

The minutes of the meeting of 18th March were then approved, as amended, and ordered to be recorded.

4. Read and discussed correspondence with Messrs. Best & Co., Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. and the Board's Engineer, with reference to resolution No. 4 of 21st January 1898, directing that importers' views be ascertained on the proposal of the Trust undertaking the provision, and control, of all pipes for landing kerosine-oil in bulk.

Read minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that a charge be levied sufficient to recoup the Board for outlay for construction, maintenance, and interest on expenditure in providing the necessary facilities.

5. The following papers were laid upon the Board's table and ordered to be recorded:—

Memo. No. 166-E., dated 18th March 1898, from the Secretary to Government, Marine Department, communicating extract from the bi-monthly return of stores up to 31st January 1898, under provision by the Director-General of Stores, dated India Office, 18th February 1898, regarding the materials required for converting the *Wenlock* into a pump dredger.

Fort St. George Gazette Supplement, dated 22nd March 1898, containing Madras Act II of 1898, amending section 45, Act II of 1886 (The Madras Harbour Trust Act), by the addition of the words, "Dock land or building," for the words "or dock".

G.O., No. 170, Marine, dated 9th March 1898, approving the estimates of receipts and charges, Biden Home Account, for 1898-99.

G.O., No. 187, Marine, dated 14th March 1898, intimating that His Excellency the Governor in Council considers that for the present it will be sufficient if the proposed inspections of the office of the Deputy Conservator of the Port of Madras be conducted by the Presidency Port Officer in his capacity of member of the Harbour Trust, as suggested by the Board.

6. Read and approved draft letters to the Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce and to the Chairman of the Trades Association requesting that the Board may be favoured with an expression of opinion as to the relative advantages of the three proposals for harbour improvements now under consideration.

7. Madras Bank Pass-books were laid upon the Board's table showing to credit the following amounts :—

|                                | RS.      | A. P. |
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| Revenue Account .. .. .        | 3,81,038 | 8 11  |
| Construction Account .. .. .   | 45,446   | 0 4   |
| Deposit Account .. .. .        | 1,153    | 9 4   |
| Biden Home Account .. .. .     | 1,189    | 12 0  |
| Petty Cash Account .. .. .     | 523      | 0 8   |
| Provident Fund Account .. .. . | 6,837    | 5 11  |
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